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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97 AND § 1.98**

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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of an Office Action from the Patent Office of the People's Republic of China, in connection with a Chinese patent application corresponding to the above-identified application. Also enclosed is a copy of the reference in this Office Action. Further enclosed is a Form, substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, listing the enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application, but prior to a Final Office Action or issuance of a Notice of Allowance, or issuance of any other action closing prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application. For satisfying requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97(c), the following Statement is made under 37 CFR

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For satisfying requirements of 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3), in connection with the presently submitted documents, enclosed is an English translation of the above-mentioned Office Action, as well as an English Abstract of the document cited in this above-mentioned Office Action, Japanese Patent Document No. 11-185526.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that Applicants have satisfied all applicable requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97 and § 1.98, in connection with the documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

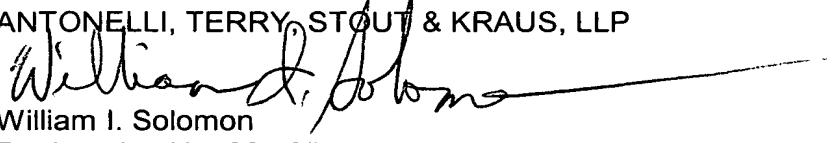
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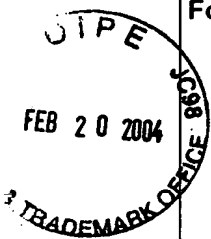
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

AM	Chinese Office Action dated November 21, 2003 for Application No. 00813017.5
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